

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-4 (canceled)

5. (original) A karaoke microphone provided with a microphone, a microphone jack and a microphone plug,

wherein said microphone jack includes,

a first jack terminal,

a second jack terminal, and

a third jack terminal, and

said microphone plug includes,

a first plug terminal,

a second plug terminal, and

a third plug terminal, wherein

both the second jack terminal and the second plug terminal are connected to an audio signal line for outputting an audio signal from the microphone, and both the third jack terminal and the third plug terminal are connected to a ground line.

6. (original) A karaoke microphone according to claim 5, wherein the audio signal line includes a mixer for mixing the two audio signals.

7. (currently amended) A karaoke microphone according to claim 5 or 6, further comprising a power supply line which applies a microphone power by connecting the first jack terminal and the first plug terminal.

8. (currently amended) A karaoke microphone according to ~~any of claims claim 5 to 7~~, further comprising a terminating resistor which is provided in association with the second jack terminal in such a manner as to be opened if a microphone plug of another karaoke microphone is inserted into a microphone jack.

9. (new) A karaoke microphone according to claim 6, further comprising a power supply line which applies a microphone power by connecting the first jack terminal and the first plug terminal.

10. (new) A karaoke microphone according to claim 6, further comprising a terminating resistor which is provided in association with the second jack terminal in such a manner as to be opened if a microphone plug of another karaoke microphone is inserted into a microphone jack.

11. (new) A karaoke microphone according to claim 7, further comprising a terminating resistor which is provided in association with the second jack terminal in such a manner as to be opened if a microphone plug of another karaoke microphone is inserted into a microphone jack.

12. (new) A karaoke microphone according to claim 9, further comprising a terminating resistor which is provided in association with the second jack terminal in

such a manner as to be opened if a microphone plug of another karaoke microphone is inserted into a microphone jack.